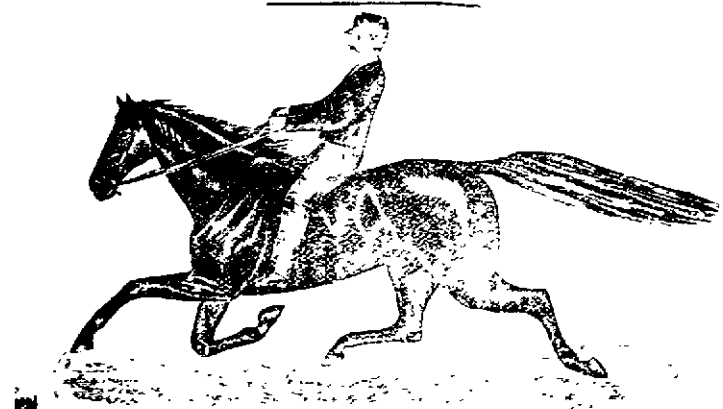


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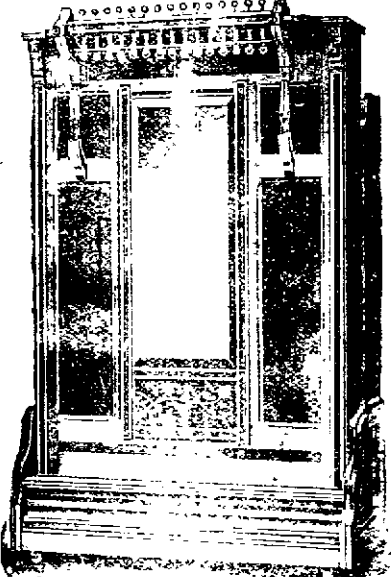
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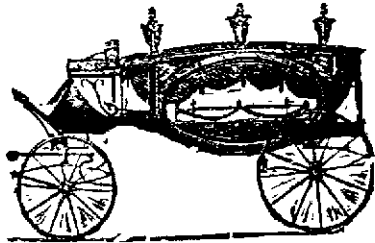
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has removed from his old residence to his new quarters in Mason's Block, 250 N. Water Street, where he will receive the funeral business from the highest to the lowest. Calls night or day, will receive the same. Residence 250 N. Water Street.



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Are worse than none, as you are not only deceived, but robbed as well.  
**WE BUY THE BEST, ONLY,**  
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### LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

#### NEWS FROM THE COUNTRY.

##### BEARSDEALE.

Bearsdale is on the boom.

A. Conover made a business trip to Warsawburg Monday.

P. Purdy, our blacksmith, has been kept busy since the last freeze.

Mrs. Jesse Cowgill, who has been ill for a long time, is slowly improving.

Mrs. O. H. Fernald is on the sick list.

Grandma Pharis is poorly.

William Baun, of this vicinity, is in Decatur acting as a jurymen.

William Jones says he wishes it would snow, but this school boys don't.

Our village school boys think there is nothing like skating. Our school is well attended numbering about 40, of which about 14 are preparing for central examination.

La grippe is gripping on real lively. There are several cases in the neighborhood.

There is talk of building a new parsonage in town.

We expect the new depot soon.

LASSEN AND GINGRUBREAD.  
Bearsdale, Ill., Jan. 21.

##### NIANTIC.

The fire near here yesterday destroyed the entire furniture, clothing and papers belonging to Mrs. Brock. The house was new, having been built about two years ago.

Nearly everybody here has the grip.

The P. M. spent yesterday at home with his wife and the distinguished guest. Today the assistant P. M. takes his place at home with the same parties.

Constable Webb is securing the town this morning for a jury in a small case. The jury stands at present, three grips and three convalescents.

Bennett Darling, who has been sick some time, was reported worse yesterday.

D. Buckles is busy on the Lookhart residence. He will move at once, and in the spring will build a fine Republican residence on the ruins of Democracy. It will ever be true.

Signe Pritchett, of Decatur, is here talking insurance. Insurance agents never lose their grip.

There are no candidates here for sheriff or any other office.

##### TROUTMAN.

Our town captures all the things that come along, of course except the grip. The Walbach agent was last attacked, and next Mayor and Postmaster Troutman. He had three hitches before he got out of the grip.

Miss Chamberlain, teacher of Sunnyside school, visited her parents at Macon Saturday.

We have a grippity town at present. The postmaster and family were the first attacked with it and the neighborhood in general followed.

Frank is on the sick list. Robert Haldness, of Troutman, is dangerously ill with a grippie and pneumonia, which will not continue farthing.

Miss Mary E. Troutman, of Bearsdale, is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cox, at Belle Plaine, Kan.

Miss Joe Morrison is visiting Mrs. J. Troutman.

Mrs. Wm. Gephart is very sick and confined to her bed.

Sharon members, remember your duty.

Uncle Harrison Henson has been on the sick list, but is better.

Corn in many places is reported as turning black and sprouting in ears.

Sharon Sunday school was poorly attended last Sabbath.

Miss Naue Constant is still on the sick list.

M. C. Glasgow, of Troutman, did a grand business in the grip. He knows the fact. Very quiet and merry, our town continues to boom.

##### WATTS OF NEW YORK.

Monday night at the Grand Katie Emmett and her company will present that thrilling and realistic story of life in the great metropolis, "The Waits of New York." The central figure of the play is, of course, Katie Emmett in the character of the hero, Willie Rufus, a bright, brave-hearted newsboy, who protects little Gerrie, the waif, from the clutches of a rascally banker and villainous Frenchman, who seek to murder her that they may possess the property she inherits from her father. Miss Emmett is one of the few sources of all the stage to-day that seems to completely lose her woman's identity in playing a boy's part.

##### Williams' Australian Herb Pills.

If you are yellow, bilious, constipated, with headache, bad breath, drowsy, no appetite, look out, your liver is out of order. One box of these Pills will drive all the trouble away and make a new being of you. Price, 25 cents. John A. Swearingen, agent.

##### Hunting in Maine.

Even the women and children are participating in the present good hunting up in western Maine. The other day, Mrs. George Brown, of Guilford, in Piscataquis county, while looking out of her kitchen window, saw a large and handsome fox come out in the field near by. Her husband being away, she took down his rifle and pointed it out of the window at the fox. The fox, however, being low, she found she could not rest the gun on the sill and take good aim, so she raised it and held it at arm's length, fired and killed the fox instantly. She then went out and brought her trophy into the house. The Portland Press, from which this paragraph is taken, says that the distance, being measured, proved to be thirty rods.

##### There has been an extraordinary and alarming increase in the number of suicides among officers in the German army. In one month twenty-eight officers shot themselves.

##### BUCKLEY'S ARABIAN DRUGS.

The BEST SALVE in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or your money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner, wholesale and retail druggist.

##### Mrs. E. A. Wilson, of Springfield, has 100 lots left in her subdivisions of \$30 lots. \$250 cash and 50 cents a week. It sold before Feb. 15, \$40. After this date, no lot will be sold for less than \$100. See E. L. Martin.—17-4-R.

### PROSPECTS OF NATURAL GAS.

The Geological Society Considers the Life of the Flow in Ohio.

Natural gas engaged the attention yesterday morning of the members of the American Geological Society, who are holding their first annual session at the American Museum of Natural History. Professor Edward Orton, state geologist of Ohio, presented an elaborate paper on the "Origin of the Rock Pressure of Natural Gas in the Trenton Limestone of Ohio and Indiana." Professor Orton said:

"Natural gas derived from the Trenton limestone has supplied during the past year and is now supplying all the fuel and a considerable part of the artificial light that is used by at least 400,000 people in northwest Ohio and in central Indiana. Within the same line it is the basis of a varied line of manufactures, the annual product of which will make an aggregate of many million dollars. More than forty glass furnaces, besides steel mills, potteries, brick works and a long list of factories, in which cheap power is a desideratum, have been built up on all sides."

Professor Orton discredited the theories that the rock pressure of the gas is due to the weight of the overlying rocks or to the expansive force of the gas. He went into an elaborate argument to show that the rock pressure of gas in Trenton limestone of Ohio and Indiana is hydrostatic in its origin. "There is no danger," he said, "that the great gas reservoirs of today will 'leave in' or 'blow up' after the gas is withdrawn from them. The gas will not leave the porous rock until the salt water drives it out and takes its place."

"This doctrine lays the ax at the root of all the optimistic theories which blossom out in every district where natural gas is discovered, and especially among the real estate operators of each new field, to the effect that nature will not fail to perpetually maintain or perpetually renew the supplies which we find so delightfully adapted to our comfort and service. So far as we are concerned, it is certain that nature has done about all that she is going to do."

"No doctrine could exert a more healthful influence on the communities that are enjoying the inestimable advantages of the new fuel than this. If it were at once accepted it would add to the duration of these precious supplies of power. The ignorant and reckless waste that is going on in the new gas fields is lamentable. The most of it comes from city and village corporations that are bringing the gas within their boundaries to give away to manufacturers whom they can induce on these terms to locate among them. To characterize the use of a million feet of natural gas a day in a single town for burning common brick, for example, or in calcining common limestone, there is a good word at hand—wastefulness."

"The geologists may make themselves temporarily disagreeable thereby, but just as far as they convince those that are interested they lengthen the life of the precious supplies. Judging from the present indications, the Trenton limestone gas in Ohio is not likely to be long lived. It seems entirely probable that the term of its entire duration can be expressed within the limits of a number of one digit. In considerable sections of the field the salt water is very aggressive. It requires a steadily increasing pressure on the wells to hold it back."

"There is likely to be great disappointment in what is called gas territory. The pressure and volume of large areas are found to fall together. Wells draw their supplies from long distances. A force of even a section a mile square may be effectually drained of its gas without a well being drilled upon it. Natural gas is a very admirable product, but its highest office, after all, should be to prepare the way for something better than itself, viz., artificial gaseous fuel—better for the reason that while it furnishes all the intrinsic advantages of natural gas it will be free from the inevitable disadvantages of treasures secured in the way this gas has been secured."—New York Sun.

##### In a Hollow Tree.

About two and one-half miles east of this city is a large red oak tree twenty-four feet in diameter, which is hollow, the inside having been burned out many years ago. The tree is in a lone place, and is seldom visited by any one save an occasional hunter who may stop there for shelter from the storm. A few days ago a hunter was attracted to the spot by the sound of voices. What was his surprise to find snugly ensconced in this novel place a family consisting of a man and his wife and three children. To close the opening in the tree a rude door had been constructed of deerkins. Inside the tree benches and tables had been constructed of reworked bark fastened together by wooden pins.

The head of the family stated that he came from Oregon last fall, and not being able to pay rent for a house had moved his family into this living home. He had thus far made a living by odd jobs on farms near by, being careful to never state where his home was. One of his children, a lad about 15 years of age, stated that he had caught about seventy-five coons and forty foxes in a steel trap, and had disposed of the skins for enough to clothe the family. The boy himself was dressed in a suit of deerkins.

The mother bore the appearance of a once beautiful woman, and her speech showed she had been well cultured. They were all very reticent about their former life and how they had been reduced to such straits. They expect to spend the remainder of the winter in this sylvan home.—Herald (Cal.) Cor. San Francisco Chronicle.

##### A Young King.

The king of the Warramangas, an Australian tribe, died last month in the Adelaide hospital, and was buried in six feet six inches in height, and had for several years been a guide to an explorer named Lindsay, to whom he was much attached. When he became king last year he refused to take his royal rank.—San Francisco Argonaut.

##### Mort Wills.

We desire to say to our citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr. King's New Life Pills, Buckley's Arabian Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price, if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity through their merit. For sale at Dr. A. J. Stoner's Drug Store.

W. A. Connel Restaurant.

### GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS.

The Industrial Union and Their Work—Saw Wood.

A business meeting of the ladies of the Charitable and Industrial Union was held yesterday, at which it was voted to lose no further time in establishing an Industrial Home and Lodging House in Decatur, to be run in connection with the noble benevolent work that has been inaugurated in our fortunate community through the wisdom and efforts of the active members of the Woman's Club. The purpose is to first select a location and then engage a suitable person to be placed in charge of the institution. There are indigent and unfortunate people who if they had a place where they could labor for what they eat and for sleeping accommodations, would eagerly avail themselves of the opportunity. Pride prevents them from asking for gifts of food or lodging. Let them know that work will be provided, such as sewing for women and wood-sawing and other labor for men, and there will be a feeling of independence, and the sting of poverty will be removed. Those who deserve help will then be aided, and the Industrial Union will be in a position to carry on its plans in a business way, while those who seek aid and get it will in a measure give value received in labor.

The ladies will soon be able to announce the opening of the Industrial Home and Lodging House. Wise heads and willing hands are at work in the commendable enterprise. It will doubtless be on a small scale at first, but as the years come and go, the venture will grow and develop into a large institution such as every city the size of Decatur ought to have.

In their efforts the ladies are promised the substantial aid of the city council, and that ought to mean a great deal. Every city tax-payer is personally interested in the matter of reducing the pauper population in the community, and this is one way of giving personal independence to the indigent, and putting them in the way of earning a living.

The proceeds of the entertainment at the Grand to-night will be devoted exclusively to the Home and Lodging House.

Try our reliable vegetable substitute for cod-liver oil, which acts on the liver, blood, kidneys and stomach, and best anti-bilious purgative is Magnesia's Candurango. Indorsed by Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia; Rev. McNally, of St. Louis, and a host of prominent people.

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### SEE THESE PRICES:

SUGARS.		HAMS.	
Granulated Sugar, 13 lbs for.....	\$ 1 00	Kingman Hams, per lb.....	12 1/2c
Sugar, 13 1/2 lbs for.....	1 00	California Hams, per lb.....	7 1/2c
15 lbs White Extra C Sugar.....	1 00	Breakfast Bacon.....	12 1/2c
15 1/2 lbs C Sugar.....	1 00	Heavy Bacon.....	10c
Good Syrup, per gallon.....	40	Best Lard, per lb.....	10c
FLOUR.		Miscellaneous.	
Best roller process flour, per sack, 50 lbs.....	\$1 05	Best Coal Oil, per gallon.....	15c
Coffee Packages.		Best Vinegar, per gallon.....	20c
XXX.....	25c	Fancy Raisins, new.....	10c
Arabica.....	25c	New French Prunes.....	8 1/2c
Lion.....	25c	Sardines, 7c, or 4 for.....	25c
Queen B.....	25c	Canned Peaches in syrup.....	20c
Honola.....	25c	Canned Blackberries.....	8 1/2c
Good Coffee in bulk.....	25c	Sibley Canned Corn, 7c, or 4 for.....	25c
TEAS.		Baking Powder, in 1 lb. cans, 2 for 25c	
Japan.....	15c to 50c	Baking Powder, in bulk.....	15c
Imperial, (best).....	50c	Mackerel, in pound cans.....	10c
T. H.....	35c to 50c	Star Tobacco.....	45c
Japan Tea, in 1 lb. cans, at.....	40c	Climax Tobacco.....	45c
SOAPS.		Big 4 Tobacco.....	30c
8 bars Logan & Beik's.....	25c	Horse Shoe Tobacco, per pound.....	45c
7 bars Lantz Bros.....	25c	Lemons, per dozen.....	20c
6 " Lantz soap.....	25c	Brooms.....	10c

—THESE PRICES ARE FOR SPOT CASH.—

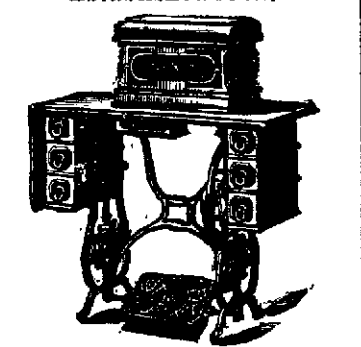
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Store open from 10 a. m. to 2:30 p. m.  
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ATTORNEY AT LAW AND NOTARY PUBLIC.  
Will draw deeds, mortgages and do all kinds of conveyancing; will also examine abstracts of title and promptly attend to any and all legal business entrusted to him.  
\$2.00. He will loan money on good city and farm real estate. OFFICE—Over Smith & King's drug store, No. 127 N. Water Street. (Re-Advt)

**John A. Brown,**  
ATTORNEY AT LAW.  
Office over Lantz & Seng's dry good store, E. corner from court house square.

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At 69c a yard, one lot of Colored Gros Grain Silks, regular value, 75c, 85c and \$1.

At 90c a yard, one lot of Fillee Francais Silks, all colors, regular price \$1 and \$1.25.

At 75c, Black Gros Grain Silk, 19 inches wide.

19-inch Black Gros Grain Silks at 85c, 95c and \$1 yd.

20-inch Satin Finish, Black Gros Grain Silks, at \$1.10, \$1.15 and \$1.20 a yard

Black Gros Grain Silks, Satin Finish, 21 inches wide, at \$1.25 and \$1.35 a yard.

Black Armure Silks in New Designs, at \$1.00.

At \$1 a yard Black Rhadame Peau-de-soi and Fillee Francais Silks.

Black Rhadzimere Silks, 21 inches wide, at \$1 00 a yd.

Black Peau-de-soi and Black Rhadzimere Silks at \$1.23 a yard.

23-inch Black Royal Silk, a beautiful weave, at \$1.35.

22-inch Black Alma Royal Silk at \$1.50 a yard.

This lot of Silks embraces the latest designs and effects in Dress Silks now shown.

[Exact copy of our Silk Guarantee furnished every Purchaser of the Regatta Silk during this sale.]

Decatur, Ill.....189.....

We hereby guarantee the pattern of.....yards of Simon's Regatta Silk sold the day to....., to give satisfaction during three months' wear from date of purchase, and in the event it does not so do we will refund the amount paid to us, same.

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OF  
CHINA AND GLASSWARE

We commence to-day the SACRIFICE SALE to CLEAR OUT what stock we have left in our China and Glassware Departments.

We have no room to show this stock except during holiday times, as the space devoted to it belongs to our Clock Department, and we must have it NOW. Come Early, we have some Bargains in CUT GLASS, Fine China Ice Cream Sets, and Fancy Pieces, and about a HALF DOZEN FULL DINNER SETS, all of which will be SACRIFICED.

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Wholesale and Retail Jewelers, Decatur, Ill.



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LYTLE, ECKELS & RONEY,  
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GOLD DOLLARS FOR 75c.  
Beautiful Spring Styles, lately adopted by the Paris Exposition for Ladies, Remarkably Cheap at \$5.00, but we are going to let them for \$3.75.  
To be a B. C. D. E. WIDTHS.

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"TEL 240 North Park Street.

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THURSDAY EVE., JAN. 23, 1890.

LOCAL NEWS.

Jardiniers.  
We have an excellent line of Jardiniers, which we close out at cost.  
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.  
"A SCAR OF PAPER" to-night.  
There are nineteen prisoners in the county jail.  
No more circuit court until Monday afternoon.  
The mercury was at 30 degrees above zero this morning.  
SOCIAL TOP on the Grand stage to-night after the benefit performance.  
Buy table supplies and California canned fruits at Moore Bros. store.  
New officers of the Fraternal club will be elected on Wednesday, Feb. 5.  
DECATUR NUT CO., double-screwed, at \$1.50 per ton, delivered to any part of town.  
The big minstrels will appear to-morrow evening. Lew Dockstader, the famous New Yorker, is with the troupe.  
DECATUR NUT CO., delivered to any part of the city, at \$1.50 per ton. n7-dtf  
SLEIGHING was good enough to-day for those who were ambitious and didn't care for damage to the cutters.  
NORFOLK to grocers and have them send you the celebrated White Foam flour.  
JOHN DRAPER has moved his lunch room from South Main street to a room on South Franklin.  
DECATUR double-screwed nut, at \$1.50 per ton. nov7-dtf  
The sale of winter military suit goes on at 121 North Water street. Felt hats at 25 and 50 cents. Corsets, 45 cents. H. A. Wallace, agent. 21-d6\*

PHOTOS to please everybody can be had any day at Den Chamberlain's gallery.  
MORE to be desired than fine gold are the beautiful Carpets, Matting, Rugs, Wire Mats, Turcomans and Lace Curtains, at the price at which you can buy them at ABE'S. nov23-dawf  
G. W. EHRHART & Co. to-day received a carload of choice Bluefield bananas, which will doubtless be grabbed up quickly on account of the late scarcity of good fruit.  
CALL for the Grand Opera House 5 cent cigar. 23-dtf  
EVANGELIST BROWN will speak to men again on next Sunday afternoon at the Baptist church in the interest of the Young Men's Christian Association. The service on Sunday will commence at three o'clock, in order to give the evangelist more time for his talk and further exercises.  
CALL and see the Queen Folding Bed at Buchanan Bros.  
The other day Helen Dawson, the year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Dawson, accidentally suffered the dislocation of her right arm at the shoulder, and in consequence thereof endured agonizing pain until her father gave her necessary attention.  
W. A. COMBS' Restaurant.  
The best of family groceries, choice fruits and Edam cheese at J. Lytle & Co.'s store, on North Water street.  
W. A. COMBS' Restaurant.  
Select country butter and family groceries to suit you at Elmer Culver's store—telephone 4.  
W. A. COMBS' Restaurant.  
The "hunch" of John Whitcomb, of "Old Homestead" fame, must have been peculiarly emphatic when he recently heard that his father, 83 years old, had re-married. The bridegroom is Rufus Thompson, of West Swanzey, N. H., and the bride before her marriage was Mrs. Sarah A. Walker, of Westminster, West Vt. Mrs. Thompson is 75 years old.

W. A. COMBS' Restaurant.  
That beautiful glossy sheen, so much admired in hair, can be secured by the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. There is nothing better than this preparation for strengthening the scalp and keeping it free from dandruff and itching eruptions.  
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A COMPLETE assortment of desirable family groceries may always be had at Hink & Patterson's, South Water street store.  
The Big Minstrels.  
The king-bee minstrel troupe—Primrose & West's—will hold the boards at the Grand to-morrow night. After speaking of all the old favorites, a Cincinnati paper said:  
Dockstader's timely observations and songs and specialties made a decided hit. He made his first appearance with the company yesterday afternoon and was warmly greeted. His first song, "It Couldn't Occur in this Town," was encored a dozen times. He is an artist in every sense of the word. Primrose in his sketch and West in his interludes, efforts were very successful in the matter of securing applause. The soloists, Mr. Fox, Samuels, J. H. Davis, Raymond, Moore and Joseph Natus, brought down the house. The afterpart was a funny burlesque on cremation, a great exhibition on parallel bars by Hurley and Van Aucken. A well-executed comedy march—the only march ever attempted of its kind—was given by the company under the direction of the graceful and shapely Barney Fagen; a marvelous performance by Barber on a bicycle; a melodramatic dancing feature, "Language of the Flowers," a side-splitting musical act by the Weston Brothers, and concludes with the greatest effort of the "Big Four," entitled, "The Haunted Mill." The entertainment is a corker.

DECATUR MUSICAL COLLEGE.  
Corner Main and William Sts.  
New term commences Monday, January 27th.  
Full information furnished at the College Office, or by Catalogue.  
21-45 ANNA W. BERRY, Directress.

SHOT IN THE SIDE.

Close Call for Paul Macoughtry at the Logan House.

Hon. Thomas H. Macoughtry and family occupy apartments in the two-story brick on the corner of North Water and North streets, kept by Mrs. Charles Logan. They have rooms on the second floor. At 11-30 to-day Paul Macoughtry, aged 17, while gazing around the room with his friend, Forest M. Pinkerton, aged 18 son of Rev. J. L. Pinkerton, who had called to see him, was accidentally shot in the right side with a 44-calibre pistol, the bullet striking a rib and glancing off into the wall of the room where it buried itself out of sight. It seems that Paul and Forest were playing together, both handling the pistol and a sword. They were having a guy time together, after the fashion of light-hearted young men of their age. Forest had been looking at the revolver and had taken the cartridge out of it, placing it on top of the stand. Then he got hold of the sword and was flourishing it, when Paul playfully took it from him. Previous to that Paul had cleaned the revolver and entirely unknown to Forest he put all of the cartridges back into the chamber of the weapon, putting the pistol back into the holster that hung on the corner of the wash stand. It was while Paul was flourishing the sword that Forest reached for the pistol. He did not know that it was loaded. As he pulled it out the weapon went off, and the bullet struck Paul in the side. Paul did not fall nor faint, but walked into another room and laid down upon a lounge. Both young men are the best of friends, and the mishap was purely accidental. The pistol was cocked, as it rested in the holster, for Forest is positive that he did not cock it.  
Mrs. J. N. Randall and Everett J. Brown were summoned to the aid of the young man. It was discovered that the bullet had gone through the flesh, and struck one of the lower ribs, plunging along a distance of four inches, and glancing off against the wall of the room. The shock was quite severe, but it is not thought the injury will prove fatal, although serious complications may arise. At noon Paul had fallen asleep, attended by his father and mother.  
The Pinkerton family have apartments in the Gallagher block. When Forest's father heard that Paul had been shot by his son, he fainted and it was some moments before he regained consciousness.  
Forest feels deeply grieved that his friend should have been so badly injured or hurt at all at his hands; but he is consoled with the fact that the injury is no worse than it is. Had the bullet missed the rib death would have been almost instant.  
Paul had been connected with the Herald in a reportorial capacity and is personally known to many of our people.

On a Tour.

Mayor Nieman, members of the Freeport city council, with several editors from Freeport, Ill., are at Springfield to-day inspecting the street paving material. The State Journal says the entire Freeport party will come to Decatur to-morrow to inspect what we claim to be the best brick paved streets in Illinois.

The Ice Harvest.

Ice on the sloughs is four inches thick. One dealer was hauling ice yesterday and to-day. The ice in the river is 2½ inches thick, covered with snow.

A Gilt-Edged Comedy.

The finest expression of neat high comedy, which has been seen in Decatur for many seasons, will be given at the opera house next Tuesday evening by that brilliant young comedian, Mr. E. H. Sothorn, and his splendid company, from the Lyceum theatre, New York, in the exquisite comedy, "Lord Chumley." His record in that city and throughout the country during the past season has been one of unexampled prosperity, and has lifted the young actor at a bound to the foremost position in the line of representations which he had adopted. The reputation which his father made in the role of Lord Dunderbary is known to every theatre goer of the town. In one season his son has popularized himself with the American theatre patrons as did his father, after years of struggle. He is still a young man, and has a great future before him.

A Family Affair.

John Fears, a piano tuner connected with the C. H. Prescott music house, has been occupying apartments at 362 West Wood street with G. W. Seovill and family. John has a wife and a babe less than a year old. Mrs. Fears and the babe are now with the family of John R. McLain, of the Blue Grass shop. John and his wife had a quarrel at their home Tuesday night, when it was alleged John in a fit of hot temper was in the act of striking his wife with a poker. He was prevented from carrying his purpose into effect by the timely arrival of a man who found the woman in a crouching attitude, fearful of injury. It appears from all that can be learned about the trouble that John thinks he has been annoyed at home by his wife, whose chief fault seems to be that she is attentive to him. The Republican reporter gave Mr. Fears an opportunity to express himself on the trouble this morning, but he had nothing to say. It is to be hoped that the couple will have a speedy reconciliation.

Sold Out.

The stock of boots and shoes owned by Mrs. John Black has been sold to W. F. Baister at 60 cents on the dollar. The invoice of the stock is in progress and when it is finished Mr. Baister will take possession at the price agreed upon.

JAMES McCULLOUGH, a Wabash brakeman, slipped last evening while walking on the top of a car, and fell to the ground, striking upon his head. He received several gashes on his head, and is otherwise quite painfully bruised. Dr. W. B. Hostetter gave him the necessary medical aid. He was taken to his home at 1332 East North street.

Sales of Real Estate.

George J. Schwab to Catherine Schwab, deed to 77-100th of an acre in S. 14, 1 east—\$400.  
Orlando Powers to the City of Decatur, quit claim to 10 feet off the north end of the east half of lot 2, block 1, Bandy's addition, for an alley, \$100.  
Caroline M. Powers to the City of Decatur, quit claim to 10 feet off the north end of the east half of lot 2, block 1, Bandy's addition for alley purpose, \$100.  
It only costs \$1.50 per ton delivered at your door, that superb Decatur nut coal. Nov. 7-dtf.

MARRIED.

The celebration of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Y. Braden is in progress this afternoon at their home three miles north of Decatur, in Hickory township. Mr. Braden is a native of Tennessee, and is 72. His wife was Laura Hunting, a native of Vermont, who came here with the Packards from New England years ago. The couple were married by Justice Isaac C. Pugh in Decatur on January 23, 1840, and have since lived in Macon county. They are the parents of a number of children.

The Baptist Revival.

There were at least four hundred people at the Baptist church last night to hear Rev. Brown's sermon on the "Personality and Power of the Holy Spirit." He spoke for nearly an hour in an instructive and impressive vein. Rev. Brown is recovering from his recent slight attack of la grippe, and his voice was fuller and clearer last night than on previous occasions. He could be heard in every part of the house. The after-meeting was full of spiritual power. A number were converted. Meeting to-night at 7:30.

Big Guns.

R. Clowry, vice-president and general superintendent of the great Western Union telegraph monopoly, accompanied by M. C. Bristol, another "brass collar" official of the same, passed through Decatur last evening, en route from Chicago to St. Louis. They made extra work for the Decatur commercial office, as both gentlemen had a stack of personal and business telegrams awaiting them at their arrival at this point. Such officials never write letters. Not gilt-edged enough for them.

A Letter of Inquiry.

J. F. Curry is in receipt of a long letter from George E. Clarke, South Bend, Ind., making close inquiries as to the circumstances attending the death of William Walsh, who died at the Hotel Brunswick last Sunday morning. The body had arrived at South Bend before the letter was written. Decatur was a brother of Rev. Thomas E. Walsh, president of the Notre Dame University, at South Bend, but is at present in Montreal, Canada. Mr. Curry wrote full particulars in response, and also sent copies of the Republican to Mr. Clarke.

Death of Little's Brother.

Don Von Elsen, brother of the prima donna, Marie Little, died at Bloomington last night, aged 23. He was a noted musician, having been connected with some of the leading minstrel and opera companies, and was the leader of the band of the Fourth Regiment, Illinois National Guard. He was taken down with la grippe and died of pneumonia. Years ago he lived in Decatur.

Prof. Dougherty.

Prof. N. C. Dougherty, superintendent of the Peoria schools, will address our city teachers and the friends of education on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the high school. Supt. Dougherty is one of the most successful school managers in the west and he is an interesting speaker. Everybody is invited to hear him.

At the Reunion.

Marchal Mason is at Bloomington attending the annual reunion of the Thirty-third Illinois Regiment, of which "Private Joe" Eifer was a member. The Governor addressed his old comrades yesterday.

IT IS IN THE WINDOW.

Viewed by Thousands—A Princely Gift of Decorative Beauty.

You have seen the hundreds of people stop in front of E. D. Bartholomew & Co.'s extensive wholesale and retail china and glassware store, and you have noticed even under the glare of the electric light how difficult it is for pedestrians to pass without stepping off the sidewalk. The novel sight in the large show window is what blocks the walk; and no wonder, for in that window is displayed the most beautiful and largest teapot ever seen in America, the product of the celebrated pottery works of Alfred Meakin at Tunstall, England—works that cover 12 acres of land and employ 5000 operatives, an establishment that is owned and controlled by Mr. Meakin, whose wealth is estimated at \$5,000,000. The teapot is 3 feet 6 inches high, is 2 feet across, and will hold 20 gallons of tea if anybody wants to fill it. On each side it bears a description in beautiful gold and silver letters. Presented by Alfred Meakin, Tunstall, England, to E. D. Bartholomew & Co., Decatur, Ill., U. S. A. The lovely decorations are by John H. Capes, designer and artist in the employ of Mr. M. Meakin. They are in Indian, floral, sea fowls, English grouse and white swans, the colors blending beautifully. The huge teapot stands upon a revolving figure, and about it are clustered in tasteful array a large collection of the celebrated chinaware made at the Meakin pottery, selected in person by Mr. Bartholomew when he was in Europe last fall. Mr. B. is very grateful to the donor for the generous gift, and that he has given it the most prominent place in his store is evidence of his appreciation of the treasured present. That master teapot is the talk of the city, and its beauty is traveling, as drummers say they have heard the Meakin gift talked about and praised on the trains and in other cities.

Will Boom Decatur.

The Decatur Trotting Association, in its correspondence with outside parties through Secretary B. Z. Taylor, will boom Decatur in a substantial way. It has had several thousand letter heads printed at the REPUBLICAN office, and on the back of each sheet is printed a large circular map of Decatur, with distances to various important points, together with the following explanatory paragraphs:

The city of Decatur, Ill., has a population of 20,000, and is surrounded by a farming district unsurpassed in wealth of products, and has the best roads leading out in thirteen directions, penetrating sixty-two counties in Illinois and twenty-one states and territories, giving direct connection at Chicago with Lake Michigan, at Toledo with Lake Erie, with the Rock Island river at St. Paul, Dubuque, Hannibal, St. Louis and Cairo, with the Ohio river at Evansville and Cairo.

The Decatur Trotting Association is represented by the best business interests in the city. Its grounds consist of forty acres thoroughly enclosed, with a perfect one-half mile track, thoroughly drained, horse stretch eight feet wide and surface of black prairie soil. There are 150 box stalls, first class in every particular, and supplied by an abundance of pure water. The buildings for the accommodation of the public are safe and comfortable. The grounds are within one-half mile of the city and can be visited by either of two electric railroads or by the Illinois Central railroad, which has placed a special car for the convenience of the Association, the railroad being the eastern boundary of the grounds.

It is the determination of the Association to give two cents for every ticket sold, and to give liberal patronage and conducting all business in an improved manner.

See Old Reliable Peter & Moline Wagons for sale by Peter & Lehman.  
MAKE a note of it—that W. A. Wilson's Springfield \$80 low will be \$100 after Feb. 15. Two per cent cash—\$150 cents a week till then. See E. L. 11-11d

LOOKS LIKE TWO SEWERS.

Action of the City Council in Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Kanan and Aldermen Scanlan, Harwood, Shoemaker, Graham, Moran and May were present at the meeting of the council in committee of the whole held last evening to act on the sewer question.

THE FIRST DISTRICT.

Ald. Shoemaker and Moran, of the Fifth ward, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:  
Resolved, That the first sewer district commence at the culvert of the Illinois Central and run to Calhoun St., according to the survey made by the city engineer, and to be a round sewer, 5 feet in the clear, from Calhoun street to the Wabash railway, according to the survey made by the city engineer, and according to the Williams plan from the Wabash on Jasper street to Edmund street, and a 2-foot sewer from Edmund street to Division street, according to the Williams plan.

The plan of meeting the expense has heretofore been arranged. The city is to pay 25 per cent of the total cost, together with court and commissioners' cost, and the remainder is to be borne by special assessment. The money is to be paid in four or five installments.

THE SECOND DISTRICT.

Saturday evening Ald. May and Scanlan for the third and second wards will present the report and plan of the second district sewer. It is to commence at Decatur street, run north along the branch between Church and Union streets to Prairie, thence west to Union, north to Cerro Gordo, west to Monroe, and thence north to a point between Packer and Edmund streets. It is to be constructed according to the Williams plan, with slight changes as to route.

The Wilcox sewer is to be extended 1,000 feet in a southeasterly direction. There will be a special meeting of the city council Saturday evening to take action on the sewer question so that the commissioners can go to work, and proper steps may be taken at the February term of the county court.

Improvement at Blue Mound.

The post office at Blue Mound has had a fresh coat of paint, new boxes have been added, and Postmaster Clements is as happy as a clown at high tide. And he is a good postmaster, too.

PERSONAL MENTION.

James W. Haworth is quite ill.

Miss Mabel Smick is a victim of la grippe.

Craigton Webb had business in Taylorville yesterday.

Miss Mary Colby, of Macon, is shopping in the city to-day.

Will J. Chenoweth, Wabash operator at Oakley, was here to-day.

Mrs. A. H. Lander and son returned this morning from Springfield.

E. D. Bartholomew will depart for New York about February 1 on business.

Mrs. F. M. Young is entertaining Miss Antoinette A. Smith, of Bloomington.

Frank Denton is confined to his home on East Eldorado street with an attack of la grippe.

Miss Willotta Thompson, of the telephone exchange, is recovering from a severe spell of la grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis, of the Western Union telegraph office, are both victims of the Russian disease.

Mrs. A. A. Powers is suffering from an attack of la grippe and lung fever. She has been ill since Sunday.

Rev. C. H. Sheen, pastor of St. Peter's Church, is confined to his home by an attack of la grippe.

Aaron Kaufman, the clothing merchant, arrived home last night from Peoria, which he says is one of the grimmest towns in the west—always booming.

Mrs. S. B. Hinde, of St. Louis, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. G. C. Kinsman, will leave Saturday for Chicago, to visit with relatives.

J. E. Bethel departed this morning for Cincinnati, where he will visit with relatives. Before returning home he will visit other cities of importance. He will be absent several weeks.

We are in receipt of a copy of the Canton, Ill., Register, of January 9th, containing a very creditable description of the cigar factory of J. W. Divillibus & Co. This factory firm sold 1,018,150 cigars in the year 1889.

Ed Wells will attend the wedding this evening at Bloomington of his sister, Miss Carrie, to Grant Courtney, at the home of her parents on East Grove street. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hovey will also be present at the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Keyes, of New York City, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Downing, departed to-day at noon for their home in the east. They will return to the city the latter part of March.

Springfield Journal: R. C. Roseberry and T. C. Roseberry, of the Franklin Life Association of this city, wish to say that John Roseberry, described in yesterday's paper as having beat his wife, etc., is no way related to them, and that they never heard of the man before. The name being so unusual is sufficient for this notice.

Mrs. M. A. Bradley arrived home last evening from Springfield, whither she was called by the dangerous illness of her sister, Mrs. J. D. Shaffer, who has had five hemorrhages of the lungs since Monday. Her death may occur any hour. Mrs. B. had to come home because of the illness of her daughter, who is down with la grippe.

Mr. Dudley Smith, Mr. R. E. Williams, Jr., Mr. Wm. Marmion, Mr. Melvin Dodson, Mr. Spencer Ewing, Mr. Kirk Harwood, Miss Rachel Crothers, Miss May Fawcett, Mrs. Lucy Lane, Miss Clara Smith, Miss Effie Brown, Miss Nettie Ewing, Mrs. Percy A. Folsom, prompter, and Wm. Saltzman, proprietors, the cream of the Bloomington dramatic club, will produce the play, "The House of the Dead," at the Grand to-night for the benefit of the Charitable Union.

We have heard many of our old friends say that Salvation Oil cured them of rheumatism. Those who have not tried it should do so. Our druggists sell it for twenty-five cents a bottle all the time.

Why suffer with a bad cold when one bottle of Dr. Bull's cough syrup will cure a cough of the worst kind. Dr. Bull's syrup is sold for 25 cents per bottle by all druggists in the United States.

DIED.

At the home of the parents, No. 1022 North Main street, Wednesday, January 22, of diphtheria, Jessie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bartholomew, aged 7 years, 5 months and 11 days.

The funeral will take place on Friday at 10 o'clock at St. Paul's church at 11 a. m.

W. A. COMBS' Restaurant.

LINN & SCRUGGS  
To Reduce SURPLUS STOCK previous to their Annual Inventory, will make  
SWEEPING REDUCTIONS  
In All Their Departments.

OUR CLOAK DEPARTMENT WILL OFFER

50 Children's Cloaks, 4 to 12 years, \$1.00 to \$2.00..... reduced from \$2.50 to \$4.50  
75 Misses' Cloaks, 8 to 16 years, \$2.25 to \$4..... reduced from 5.00 to 8.50  
Our entire stock of Children's Cloaks reduced in the same ratio.  
30 Ladies' Plush Jackets, \$6.25..... reduced from \$12.00  
25 Ladies' Plush English Walking Jackets, \$8.50..... reduced from 15.00  
25 Ladies' Plush Squeezes, all sizes, \$16.75..... reduced from 25.00  
20 Ladies' English Walking Coats, \$3.75..... reduced from 7.00  
20 Ladies' English Walking Coats, \$5.00..... reduced from 9.00  
25 Ladies' English Walking Coats, \$4.00..... reduced from 12.00  
40 Ladies' Cloth Newmarkets, \$3.75..... reduced from 8.50  
20 Fine Denver Newmarkets, \$9.00..... reduced from 20.00  
10 Elegant Fancy Newmarkets, \$17.00..... reduced from 30.00  
25 Ladies' Beaver Shawls, this season's purchase, \$5.50..... reduced from 9.00  
15 Ladies' Handsome Stylish Velvet Shawls, \$7.50..... reduced from 12.00

Our Dress Goods Department Will Offer

The Entire Stock of 38-inch Dress Flannels, 25c..... reduced from 38c, 44 and 50c  
The Entire Stock of 54-inch Dress Flannels, 44c..... reduced from 72c  
The Entire Stock of Plaid and Striped Flannel Suitings, 48c..... reduced from 65c  
And a General Reduction Throughout the Stock.

Our Woolen Department Will Continue.

The Sale of Blankets and Flannels at Prices advertised during the warm weather.

Our Hosiery Department Will Offer

50 Dozen Children's Wool Hosiery, 5 to 6½, at..... 10c a pair  
50 Dozen Children's Wool Hosiery, 7 to 8½, at..... 15c a pair  
100 Dozen Fancy Heavy Knit Wool Hosiery, at..... 20c a pair  
75 Dozen Ladies' Black Cashmere Hosiery, at..... 15c a pair  
50 Dozen Ladies' Heavy Black Cashmere Hosiery, at..... 20c a pair  
All our Woolen Hosiery Reduced in Same Proportion.

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Scotch Cheviot Dress Goods,..... 6c a Yard  
Turkey Red Table Damask,..... 17c a Yard  
Our Entire Stock of Prints,..... 5c a Yard  
Wool Outing Cloth,..... 13c a Yard  
Jeans, for Boys' wear,..... 12, 15, 17, 20c a Yard  
1000 yards, Percale Prints,..... 5c a Yard  
100 Pieces Bleached Muslin, worth 8c for..... 6½c a Yard  
Canton Flannel,..... 5, 6½, 7, 10c a Yard  
Kid Gloves, worth \$1.50, for..... 75c

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MATCHLESS,..... 1.00 "  
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